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WASHINGTON LETTER

From our Regular Correspondent.

It is not denied by anybody that President Cleveland's veto of the River and Harbor bill was in line with Jeffersonian democracy, nor that his veto message was an entirely truthful and conservative arraignment of that bill and of the anti-democratic system upon which it is founded; yet many democrats are helping to get a sufficient number of the members of the House and Senate back to Washington to pass the bill over the President's veto, and it is probable that they will succeed in doing so during the present week. In view of the fact that this bill could not pass over the President's veto without receiving a considerable number of democratic votes it behooves patriotic democrats to carefully read President Cleveland's words: "To the extent that the appropriations contained in the bill are instigated by private interests, and promote local or individual projects, their allowance can not fail to stimulate a vicious paternalism and encourage a sentiment among our people, already too prevalent, that their attachment to our government may properly rest upon the hope and expectation of direct and special favors, and that the extent to which they are realized may furnish an estimate of the value of governmental care." That some democrats both in and out of Congress, have been bitten with the 'vicious paternalism' which lays aside an old party principle in the struggle to get a government appropriation is as true as it is reliable. Mr. Cleveland scored one on Congress when he said in the closing sentence of his veto message that "the contracts provided for in this bill would create obligations of the United States amounting to \$62,000,000 (exclusive of the \$17,000,000 cash appropriated,) no less binding than its bonds for that sum." The unfortunate part of this matter is the large number of democrats in Congress who admit that the President is right but yet are going to vote against him because the bill carries appropriations for their states and districts.

The statement of Chairman Harry, of the National Democratic Committee, that he is going to the Chicago convention with the intention of supporting the ticket and platform adopted by the Convention, and that he thinks every delegate ought to enter the convention with the same intention, has been well received by democrats in Congress, and as a rule democrats, whether for or against silver, endorse Mr. Harry's position, because it is the old democratic principle of the rule of the majority. During Mr. Harry's stay in Washington he was very emphatic in stating his belief that there would be no bolt at the Chicago convention.

The man who tried to start

a Presidential boom for Ex-Speaker Crisp overlooked an obstacle; Mr. Crisp was born at Sheffield, England. That Mr. Crisp is an American all the way through, and that his parents are Americans temporarily in England at the time of his birth, is all true; but all the same his being born there will prevent his name ever adorning a Presidential ticket, notwithstanding his having the ability to make a good President.

Secretary Carlisle lost no time in paying the sugar bounties in accordance with a decision of the Supreme Court, handed down last week. The sugar makers who will share in the \$5,000,000 appropriated by Congress will get about 85 per cent. of their claim, and it is expected that the money will be paid before the first of July.

President Cleveland several days ago sent for several members of the Senate committee on Foreign Relations and laid before them the Cuban information which he desired to make public in response to the Senate resolution. He also took them into his confidence, to a certain extent, as to the policy which he intends maintaining towards Cuba until there shall be reason for a change, and if he didn't convert them to his way of thinking he at least convinced them that it was useless to bring the matter up in Congress again before adjournment.

Since the news of the result of the Kentucky contest was received it is the opinion of at least 7 democrats out of every ten in Congress, regardless of their personal preference, that the silver democrats will have a majority in the Chicago convention and will be able to dictate the platform. The more conservative among them think however, that the time-honored two-thirds rule will be continued and that it will be utilized as a toner down of extremes. In other words, that while the silver men will have a majority which will enable them to make any sort of platform they want, they will not have the two-thirds necessary to nominate candidates.

No adjournment resolution has been adopted but it is regarded as certain that adjournment will take place between this and the 10th of the month.

If it required an annual outlay of \$100.00 to insure a family against any serious consequences from an attack of bowel complaint during the year there are many who would feel it their duty to pay it; that they could not afford to risk their lives, and those of their family for such an amount. Any one can get this insurance for 25 cents, that being the price of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. In almost every neighborhood some one has died from an attack of bowel complaint before medicine could be procured or a physician summoned. One or two doses of this remedy will cure any ordinary case. It never fails. Can you afford to take the risk for so small an amount? For sale by Druggists.

The Legend of Blowing Rock.

Richmond Dispatch.

It was long before the pale-faces had appeared on American soil, bringing sorrow and poverty to the aborigines. Therefore when, this circumstance occurred, Osseo, the chief of the Cherokees, was rich in domains, of which it was his boast to say that within his confines there was so much game that not even the humblest member of his numerous tribe ever lacked for the greatest abundance of venison, fish and fowl. And Gebe Manteo, the Mighty, had given him one present, which, as much as he loved his power and his subjects, he esteemed more than all.

The Great One had given him a daughter who possessed eyes like twin stars, glossy tresses as black as the raven's wing, and a sylph-like form, the very incarnation of grace and suppleness. The chief, her father, gave her the name of Wenonah, "as the first born of the daughters," but the whole tribe knew her only by the poetical cognomen of the Princess Starlight. When she had arrived at the age of 16; when Indian maidens are at the height of their dusky beauty, many suitors came to claim her hand, but the chief adored her, and wished to keep longer with him the beautiful princess, whose voice was like unto sweet music.

Loath was he to part with the slender maiden, who alone of all his children, feared him not when the blood of his savage ancestors boiled with in his veins when he had taken captive an enemy; the one being who could turn him from cruel vengeance, and incline his heart to mercy; that gentle quality of which Shakepeare says: "Tis mightiest in the mightiest and the throned monarch better than his crown." Osseo, therefore, refused all offers for the hand of lovely Wenonah until one day the princess stood before him saying:

"O, chief and father, I pray you appoint some means by which I may wed, for 'tis not fit that thou shouldst wait until I have grown old and ugly, till thou shalt have to beg for suitors for the hand which is now humbly entreated for."

"And thou hast grown tired of thy maidenhood. O, my lily, fairest of my children? Dost thou wish some stranger brave to rule over you, you, my star-eyed, proud Wenonah?"

O, august father, I yearn for love only, and so great is that yearning that I will sacrifice all to gain it."

"So be it then I must prepare to bid you farewell, but now go to your wigwam."

She bowed to the ground and glided from the council room.

Then the chief sent messengers with wands of willow, fur and wide proclaiming that the princess Starlight was now sufficiently old to wed the brave whom she should choose after each had pleaded his cause, on the verge of a precipice, which looked

down hundreds of feet upon a valley, through which a winding stream wended its way. Soon the whole plain was covered with wigwams of suitors. There was Paw-Puk Keewis, the graceful dancer; Chibiabo, the sweet musician, and many, many others, but Kwasind; the bravest and the handsomest of them all, alone found favor in the sight of Osseo, the chief, and his daughter.

First of all the suitors came Paw-Puk-Keewis, the envious, and whispered in the ear of fair Wenonah a falsehood. "Kwasind loved another maiden. In his far off land there dwells a fair woman—his deserted bride."

Wenonah hid her anger under a calm exterior, but was none the less enraged. She loved him, the handsome Kwasind, and felt all the pangs of jealousy. When Paw-Pukewis left her then came Kwasind. To his passionate entreaty, his eloquent plea, the princess haughtily replied:

"Sooner would I see you die than choose you as my husband."

"Then my life is of no value to me. See how I love you! And, with a loud cry, he leaped over the slender barrier of stones which bordered the precipice, and down, down he fell, on, on, hundreds of feet, then the maiden, wildly penitent, shrieked:

O, Mudjekeewis, thou, the West Wind, bring my love back to me! O, Shawondasee, gentle South Wind, bear him up with your strong arm." And the two mighty brothers, the winds, heard her, and moved by her grief and beauty, blew him back to the spot where Wenonah had thrown herself face downward, sobbing and entreating the winds to hear her prayer. And when the loving Kwasind lifted her and showered kisses on her lovely head, she laid gently passive, her form supported by his arm and softly whispered: "My love, my Lord forgive me, and I will follow thee forever, and to the ends of the earth."

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The day that the cyclone struck the city of St. Louis, we had a severe wind storm in Boone. We are protected however from cyclones from the fact that our mountains protect us. A cyclone can not get under way enough to do damage, as much of its force is spent against the mountains.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

A Disgusted Northerner.

Fayetteville Observer.

A northern man, a republican, Mr. Baker, of Fall River, Mass., arrived in the city last night with his eyes opened. Mr. Baker was sitting in front of a hotel listening to a number of gentlemen discussing politics. He suddenly arose from his seat and said: "Gentlemen, you are all strangers to me, but if you will allow it, I want to unburden my mind of a humble thought. I was born and reared in Massachusetts, the hot bed of abolition, and have been taught to believe all my life that the republicans and negroes were badly treated by the democrats of the South; in fact that they were still little better than slaves. Last Friday I stopped in a Southern city, the city of Raleigh, for the first time in my life. I heard that there was a republican State convention in session and I went charged with sympathy for the oppressed republicans. I stood and gazed at that howling, seething, cursing mob and but a few moments were sufficient to convince me that if this was republicanism in the South, then God deliver her from it. Bays I am a Southern democrat in heart and in spirit if not by residence."

BIBLE BRIEFS.

The man who is able to give five dollars and only gives fifty cents is not likely to give the fifty cents cheerfully. The 'cheerful' giver is the man who gives 'according to his ability.'

"Thou hast put gladness into my heart." Psa. 47. So said David. Can you say as much, dear reader?

Be careful how you examine into the life of a man who never goes to church—you will find something rotten.

"For what is the hope of the hypocrite, though he hath gained, when God taketh away his soul?" Job 27:8.

Some folks are very devoted to creed who have but little devotedness to Christ. It is Christ that saves, not your creed.

The lental season is a great blessing to many souls, but we do not think it is to those who engage in the "Easter Ball."

God's Word abounds in promises for our healing when sick. Are these promises worth anything to you? If not, why not?

Sister, does your religion suit the kitchen as well as the parlor? Does your servant think you are letting your light shine for Christ?

Some people do not think it possible to love God "with all the heart"—neither does the devil. What does God say? Mark 12:30.

You are a member of the church and yet say you were never converted. Does the church hinder you from being born again. Seek converting grace today.—Ex.

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